

## Murder trial begins with opening statements in missing sophomore case



Chris Edwards

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A long and slow jury selection marked the first two-and-a-half days of Christopher Edwards' murder trial, which began with opening

statements Wednesday afternoon.

Edwards, 20, is on trial for the murder of Jessica O'Grady, a UNO sophomore who has been missing since May 2006.

"Jessica O'Grady is not missing. Jessica O'Grady is dead," said Leigh Ann Retelsdorf, who delivered the opening statement for the prosecution.

O'Grady's body has not been found, but prosecutors allege she was murdered at Edwards' residence. Edwards faces second-degree murder charges and has maintained his innocence since turning himself in last summer.

The prosecution detailed evidence it plans to present during its opening statement, including blood found in Edwards' residence and car.

"The blood's been tested by the University of Nebraska Medical Center's Human Identification Center," Retelsdorf said to the jury. "They tested the blood and they found it to be Jessica O'Grady's."

Steve Lefler, one of Edwards' attorneys, questioned the value of the blood evidence in the defense's opening statement.

"There is a certain amount of subjectivity

in reading the DNA [graphs]," Lefler told the jury. "You don't have to accept anything that doesn't make sense to you."

During jury questioning, Lefler asked the pool about their experiences with menstruation, miscarriages and suicide, giving a window into what may come up during the trial.

"If it was your son or daughter, sister [or] brother that was seated at either table, would you feel comfortable with a juror with your frame of mind?" asked Lefler.

Investigators found blood on the mattress, walls, headboard and ceiling of Edwards' room. The prosecution alleges he killed O'Grady with a Bangkok battle sword.

Forty-two potential jurors reported for duty Monday at the Douglas County Courthouse, and by noon recess Tuesday, 16 had been dismissed. Early Wednesday afternoon, attorneys for both sides settled on 12 jurors and two alternates.

During the first day of the trial, while addressing the perspective jurors, Judge Russell Derr reminded them the charges against Edwards would not involve capital punishment. The court then continued with *voir dire*, a French phrase meaning "to speak the truth," which is the process of questioning jurors about their background.

The 42 potential jurors were asked to give their full name, occupation and the occupation of their spouses. Afterwards, and for the next day, jurors were taken one

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photo by Jason Glenn

### Caution: Crane crossing

The migration of the Sandhill cranes is an annual spring event near Gibbon, Neb. More than 500,000 cranes return to the same 50-mile stretch of the Platte River every March through April. The Sandhill crane is one of the few crane species in the world that is not endangered, according to [birds.cornell.edu](http://birds.cornell.edu).

## Employment numbers paint busy picture for average UNO student

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There's no doubt about it: UNO students are busy people.

On top of school and extracurricular activities, the vast majority of UNO students work and many also serve the community as volunteers.

In fact, 94 percent of seniors work for pay, according to results from the National Survey of Student Engagement and the UNO Office of Institutional Research.

These numbers are higher than results from other urban institutes that participated in the survey. On average, 91 percent of urban seniors reported

working for pay.

"We've seen very consistent results over the last five to six years," said Linda Mannering, director of institutional research.

According to the survey conducted last spring, the majority of students who work for pay work off campus. Less than a fifth of students surveyed reported working on campus.

Full-time employment among students is also on the rise, with the NSSE reporting 41 percent of UNO freshman working 21 or more hours per week. The average rate for freshman among other urban institutions was 37

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## Compounding stresses of school, work not too much for students

PATRICK DOTY  
ASST. PHOTO/LINE EDITOR

Strike up a conversation with a student walking through campus and you'll likely find that student is employed, according to information from the UNO Office of Institutional Research.

According to Institutional Research, nearly 87 percent of freshmen have a paid job either off- or on-campus. The number grows as students progress through school. When compared similar institutions where just over half of all freshman work, UNO has a considerably higher amount of student workers than the

norm.

Michelle Perone, manager of the career exploration and outreach program at UNO, contributes the difference in statistics to many factors, including the location of the institution.

"UNO is a metropolitan university, whereas some other universities aren't classified as such. They're in a traditional university-type setting in a university-type town," Perone said. "Of course, UNO is here right in the middle of the heart of Omaha, which I think is a big factor."

Another factor that affects the

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at a time into Judge Russell Derr's chambers and questioned with the defense, prosecution and Edwards present. "My fear is this is the Wild, Wild West: Let's give him a fair trial, then let's kill him," Lefler said to potential jurors.

Media attention on the case prompted Derr to instruct jurors "beginning [Wednesday] any local newspaper may

not be brought with you in the courtroom." He also instructed jurors to not read any articles about the case.

Multiple change-of-venue motions, filed by the defense, have been denied in pre-trial hearings. Pete Simi, an assistant professor in the school of criminology and criminal justice, said Derr intends to

"prevent contamination so [the jurors] are just evaluating the information presented in the trial."

The trial is expected to last two weeks. If found guilty, Edwards would face 21 years to life in prison.

News Editor Scott Stewart contributed to this report.

## New You Can Use

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### LGBT ally training on March 29

Two training sessions will be held by the UNO Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex and Allies Discussion Group on Thursday, March 29.

The training will address issues such as bias and techniques of being an ally. It will be held in the W.H. and Dorothy Thompson Alumni Center Centennial Hall.

Training sessions will be offered from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Participants need only attend one session and should plan to arrive 15 minutes early.

To reserve a spot in either session, contact Kent Lavene at 554-3008 or klavene@mail.unomaha.edu.

### Diabetes camp needs counselors

Camp Floyd Rogers is a youth campus for kids ages 8 to 18 with diabetes. It is located outside Gretna near Schramm Park and runs from June 22 to July 2, with the first three days reserved for counselor training.

The camp is currently seeking counselors for the summer. Counselors are paid and offered a great opportunity to work with kids.

If you have any questions, contact the camp director at jane.splittgerber@ops.org.

### Tour de Cure seeks participants

The American Diabetes Association is hosting the Tour de Cure at the Sarpy County Fairgrounds in Springfield, Neb. The event will take place in June and raises money for diabetes research, education and advocacy. Tour de Cure features a

20- or 50-mile bicycle ride.

Each rider must raise \$150. They will receive breakfast from Gandolfo's Deli and lunch from Carabba's at the event. There will also be prizes and snacks along the route.

To register an individual or team for the Tour de Cure, visit diabetes.org/tour. You can also contact Suzanne Sollars at 554-3981 or ssollars@mail.unomaha.edu.

### SPO sponsors drug legalization discussion

"Heads vs. Feds" will feature a debate between Steve Hager and Bob Stutman, both figures in the fight over drug legalization. The event will take place on Friday, March 30, at noon in the Nebraska Room of the Milo Bail Student Center.

Hager is the editor in chief of *High Times* magazine and founder of the Cannabis Cup. Stutman is a retired Drug Enforcement Administration special agent and credited with bringing "crack" to national attention.

### Wind ensemble presents "Bandemonium" this week

The UNO Symphonic Wind Ensemble will present "Bandemonium" on Sunday, March 25, at 3 p.m. in the Strauss Performing Arts Center Recital Hall.

The concert will feature the regional premiere of Roger Cichy's composition "Bandemonium" as well as pieces from Jack Stamp, Philip Sparke, Eric Whitacre and Henry Fillmore. A masterworks performance of Robert McBride's "Sundex in Mexico" will conclude the performance.

Tickets will be available at the door, \$4 for adults, \$3 for students and seniors or free with the presentation of a MavCard. For more information, call 554-2243.

## Crime Log

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### Tuesday, March 6

**12:52 p.m.** Student reported the theft of personal property from the University Library. Incident occurred between 6 p.m. and 7:15 p.m., Monday, March 5.

### Wednesday, March 7

**3:01 a.m.** While on patrol of Lot 9, a Campus Security officer came upon suspicious activity. Further investigation disclosed a student in possession of drug paraphernalia and a controlled substance. The Omaha Police Department was notified and the suspect was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of a controlled substance.

### Friday, March 9

**2:59 a.m.** While on patrol a Campus Security officer identified one student and one visitor in possession of alcohol in Lot 12. The alcohol was confiscated by Campus Security and the individuals were referred for disciplinary action.

**9:45 p.m.** Campus Security responded to a disorderly patron complaint at University Library. The suspect was removed from the library, banned from the library for 24 hours and escorted off campus.

**11:22 p.m.** Campus Security responded to a disorderly patron complaint at University Library. The suspect was the same individual from an earlier complaint. The suspect was removed from the library and issued a ban and bar letter to the campus. Omaha Police were contacted to assist, the suspect was issued

an outstanding, unrelated, protection order by Douglas County Sheriff and transported off campus by Omaha Police.

### Saturday, March 10

**1:21 a.m.** The Campus Security dispatcher witnessed suspected illegal activity transmitted via CCTV to Campus Security. Further investigation disclosed a liquor law violation at University Village. Four students and one visitor were referred to the resident assistant.

**4:49 a.m.** Campus Security officer came upon two vehicles parked in Lot 9 that appeared to have been broken into. A search for victims and/or suspects proved negative. At 11:43 a.m. on Saturday, March 10, contact was made with the victims, neither affiliated with UNO, who reported thefts from their vehicles.

### Wednesday, March 14

**5:10 p.m.** Two students reported theft of personal property from the University Library. Incident occurred between 4:45 p.m. and 5 p.m.

### Friday, March 16, 2007

**8:07 a.m.** Student reported theft of personal property from Milo Bail Student Center. Incident occurred between 5:15 p.m., Wednesday, March 14, and noon, Thursday, March 15.

### Sunday, March 18

**12:07 a.m.** While on patrol, Campus Security officers came upon a visitor and two students in possession of alcoholic beverages. The visitor was issued a ban and bar letter.

### Writer's Workshop chair to speak on research

Anna Monardo, chair of the UNO Writer's Workshop department, will be discussing research for her book *Falling in Love with Natassia* on Thursday, March 29, at 7 p.m. in the W.H. and Dorothy Thompson Alumni Center.

Monardo's work, including poems, essays and short stories, has appeared in *Prairie Schooner*, *The Sun*, *Indiana Review*, *Other Voices* and several other outlets.

The discussion is sponsored by the Friends of the Criss Library Book Club. For more information, call 554-3205.

## For The Record

In the Feb. 20 issue of the *Gateway*, in an article entitled "Sexual assault reported at University Village," two quotes were wrongly attributed to an unnamed University Village resident advisor. The *Gateway* regrets any inconvenience this may have caused.

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## Maverick Voices

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### Do you feel stressed because of work?



Jessica Hansen, education & Native American studies, junior

I work, but not very often; a couple times a month bartending at the Sandinavian-American society. Why I don't want to work is because I want to pay attention to school and everything. I am taking a lot of classes. My roommate works like a maniac and she's actually moving out, back home, because she is tired of working so much and having the stress of not having enough money and whatnot.



Jennifer Lewandowski, photography, senior

I work at the portrait studio at Sears. Right now we are low on people, so they're always calling me in for extra hours. I manage my time by coming back to school after work and working late hours in the fine arts building.



Travis Lehr, business, marketing & advertising, freshman

I work at Dick's Sporting Goods. I don't [deal with stress] (laughs). No, I try to keep my schedule written down, and I try to schedule things around when I work, since I know when I work a couple weeks in advance to schedule things around it. But yeah, I feel a little bit of stress.



Wade Anderson, education, junior

I work at Americorp, so at an elementary school. I'm an assistant teacher. Lately, coming out of spring break, it's ridiculous. Projects are due left and right; I don't have time to work. I intend to bring the homework in to work, but it doesn't get done. It's there, seems like I'll have time, but it doesn't get touched because work just piles on. Then you get home and you're already busy with other extracurriculars, so you have to stay true to those. So it's just all-nighters, energy drinks, caffeine: then it's all good.

## Daylight-saving time changes cause miniature Year 2000 glitches

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Christmas isn't coming early this year, but daylight-saving time did.

Daylight-saving time accommodates the different amounts of daylight throughout the year. During the summer months, when the sun rises earlier, it sets clocks ahead one hour. During the winter months, when the sun rises later in the morning, clocks are set back one hour.

This system was recently modified by the Energy Policy Act of 2005. The act changed the date daylight-saving time begins, moving it almost three weeks earlier than previous years. Clocks were set ahead one hour on the second Sunday of March, instead of the first Sunday of April.

This presents a problem for the vast infrastructure of computer systems and programs, similar to the "Y2K" scare during the millennium change of 2000. The problems stemmed from computer programmers only using the last two numbers to identify years. The concern was that with the new millennium, computers would think

it was the year 1900.

On many systems, the rules for computing daylight-saving time are hard coded, effectively putting those systems out of synch. This time alteration was a miniature Y2K, said Steve Lendt, UNO's director of Information Technology.

"We didn't have a huge amount of heads up, it was not particularly as necessary because fortunately most companies made the software available," said Lendt.

Most of the computers on campus, as well as the production systems, required a patch to let them make the change, said Lendt.

The change was "not too bad. So far no problems, knock on wood," said Lendt.

Lendt went on to say this change was made easier by the lessons learned in 2000.

"It was less work than the Year 2000 change, in that case it was a significant number for the change," said Lendt. "There were some things that had to be watched by hand during that change."

Lendt said the lessons learned by software manufacturers in 2000 made everything easier for the end-users.

While Y2K may have been bigger, the time change still has an impact on the university.

"In some cases, it could have a significant shorter-term impact, as some of those things that happen are timing sensitive, like when different systems are communicating with each other,"

said Lendt. "The timing on when those things take place needs to be in order for it to be online properly."

Most university computers should already be updated, but there were systems that had to be taken care of one at a time.

"For office computers, various colleges and departments all were doing some individual work," said Lendt. "It was less critical but we had some people check some processes remotely."

But university computers aren't the only machines being affected. Individual student computers also require patching. Lendt said those running Windows XP should turn on automatic updates so the changes take effect.

"That's usually a good thing to set on the computer because it gets you important security patches," said Lendt.

For students without Internet access, Lendt suggested using the university's wireless network or contacting the UNO Help Desk at 554-4357.

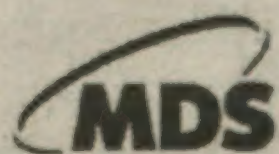
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## Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)

The CAO maintains the Student Government office in every aspect, chairs the Inter Agency Council and Executive Council, appoints students to the four Student Government Agencies and proposes the Student Government annual budget. The CAO must attend a meeting every Thursday at 7 p.m. and complete five office hours a week.

## Executive Treasurer

The Executive Treasure maintains the revenues and expenses of the entire University Student Government, chairs the Student Activities Budget Committee (SABC) and provides reports to the Senate and Executive Council when necessary. The Executive Treasurer must attend a meeting every Thursday at 7 p.m. and complete five office hours a week.

## American Multicultural Students Director

The American Multicultural Students Agency provides support, assistance and guidance to multicultural students attending UNO by providing programs and events designed to increase awareness about various cultures. Speakers, forums and photographic exhibits are just a few of the programs coordinated through AMS.

## International Student Services Director

The International Student Services Agency works with international students to foster a smooth transition in to a new environment. Members of the ISS board promote international cultural exchange and awareness on campus through a variety of programs. ISS also sponsors an annual Cultural Festival and International Student Banquet.

## Network for disABled Students Director

The primary mission of the Network for disABled Students Agency is to provide services at UNO to students with disabilities. These services include a library of multimedia materials for research and educational usage as well as specialized equipment. NDS is an advocate and referral service regarding disability issues and also provides programs that promote awareness about the diverse issues concerning those who are disABled.

## Woman's Resource Center Director

The Women's Resource Center offers a wide variety of gender and sexual orientation-centered services and programs. The center sponsors special events and programs and houses a library of books, periodicals and publications on a broad range of issues. WRC is also a referral agent for counseling agencies, childcare, and community groups concerned with gender and sexual orientation-centered specific topics.

## Gender and Sexual Orientation Director

The Gender and Sexual Orientation Agency is designed to inform and educate UNO's campus about Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning, Intersex, and Allies (GLBTQIA) issues. GSO will promote awareness and understanding about gender identities and expression, and sexual orientation through programming such as speakers, community programs, Pride Awareness Week, National Day of Silence, and Alley Day. The agency is an advocate for GLBTQIA rights on campus and is a Safe Zone for all students.

Applications are available on the Student Government website at <http://sguno.unomaha.edu> and in our office located on the 1st floor of the Milo Bail Student Center. Please stop by or call 554-2620 with any questions.

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# One student's story of service, success over spring break



Will Targy

WILL TARGY  
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*Will Targy traveled to New Orleans over spring with a group of 19 students from Campus Crusade for Christ. He had never been to New Orleans prior to this trip,*

*although some members of his group had participated in Katrina relief efforts last year.*

*What follows are excerpts from his journal entries from the trip, edited for grammar and style by the Gateway staff. However, the context itself was not altered.*

## March 12

The road to New Orleans was a treacherous one. Not in the sense of physical barriers and hardships, but a plague of exhaustion and mental strain swept through our caravan in the beginning stages of the journey on into the early hours of the morning.

By 9 a.m., we started our descent into the city. For me, it was hard to gauge the level of devastation in comparison to before the storm, or even this time last year. This is my first trip to New Orleans, so my first impression is of mostly rebuilt houses

and buildings, and a downtown that shows no repercussions of a devastated city.

Today, we ventured to the Audubon Louisiana Nature Center, which has hardly been touched since last fall. The Institute is part of the Audubon Nature Institute and is connected with Audubon Zoo and Aquarium of the Americas. The Nature Center could not be seen from the road, and we actually passed by it the first time around. Inside the facility, it was easy to imagine what a beautiful place it must have been. The wildlife in and of itself was tremendous, even after the storm hit.

As for work goes, both of the groups walked around most of the facility picking up trash and debris. While we were working, a few cars stopped by to thank us for our work at the facility.

I think it was hard for some of our workers to really believe they were making a difference in this place because all we did was pick up trash today. I think this mentality came from the seemingly overbearing amount of work that had to be done in order to even start the rebuilding process, but we must start somewhere.

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percent.

A survey of incoming freshman and transfer students conducted

surveyed planned to work 21 or more hours per week.

These numbers will be revisited in greater detail as Institutional Research conducts two surveys this month to track the progress of first-year freshman and transfer students at UNO.

"We're going to take advantage of [these surveys] to determine where students work," Mannering said. "Any student who enrolled in UNO in the fall should be receiving this survey."

Survey invitations will be sent to students via their Lotus Notes e-mail accounts, and Mannering encourages students to respond to the invitations. A total of 1,764 freshman and 976 transfer students will be asked to participate in the survey.

The surveys include questions about students' experiences since coming to UNO, their satisfaction with college life and campus resources as well as their time management during a typical week.

Mannering said that even though students at UNO work a lot, they still have time for volunteer and extracurricular activities. She pointed to a 2006 study by the Corporation for National and Community Service that ranked Nebraska college students fifth nationally in rate of volunteerism. Among the overall adult population, Nebraska ranks No. 2 nationally.

The study also found that volunteerism rates decline "substantially" the more hours that college students work. However, Mannering hopes to find out more after her current surveys.

"I don't think that is necessarily the case with our students," Mannering said. "People who are engaged are really engaged."

## UNO Student Employment

41% of freshmen work 21+ hours/week off-campus.

55% of seniors work 21+ hours/week off-campus.

87% of freshmen work for pay.

13% of freshmen work on-campus.

73% of freshmen work off-campus.

94% of seniors work for pay.

15% of seniors work on-campus.

80% of seniors work off-campus.

*Information from UNO results of National Survey of Student Engagement, spring 2006.*

*Compiled by News Editor Scott Stewart.*

last summer also points in rising employment rates, with a considerable majority of incoming freshmen and transfer students saying they planned to work during their first semester at UNO.

Overall, 43.5 percent of freshman and 63 percent of transfer students



# People

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## Non-traditional student returns to college classroom after lifetime of experiences



photo by Patrick Doty  
Marcy Cotton, former executive director of the Omaha Library Foundation, has never grown tired of learning new things. She has returned to college at the age of 60 to earn her bachelor's degree.

STEPHENIE CONLEY  
STAFF WRITER

Marcy Cotton can.

Not many UNO undergrads can say they were registered on the New York Stock Exchange or that they worked for the U.S. Department of Energy. But

After successful careers as a securities analyst, economist, real-estate agent and stay-at-home mother, Cotton brings her years of life experience to the classrooms of UNO.

She has returned to school at the age of 60, determined to get her bachelor's degree.

This is not the first time Cotton has been a student of higher education. Growing up in Richmond, Va., Cotton attended Virginia Commonwealth University and earned an associate degree in fine arts, majoring in theater. She had dreams of acting on Broadway and set her sights on New York City. With a successful cousin already living there, Cotton moved to New York and decided to try to make it as an actor.

For Cotton, moving to New York City was an exciting dream come true, she said. However, after several unsuccessful auditions, Cotton realized she needed a paying job to cover rent and food costs. She then worked as a receptionist and a mother's helper.

Through connections as a mother's helper, Cotton obtained a job with the investment banking firm of Wertheim & Company. As an assistant, she learned how to work with accounts while getting coffee and other menial tasks. In her spare time, she did research in the company's investment library to learn as much about the business as she could.

Her hard work paid off. She eventually moved up the company ladder to research librarian, then research assistant and finally to securities analyst.

As a securities analyst, Cotton had to study hard and take comprehensive exams for registration on the New York Stock Exchange. The men in her department, all Ivy League graduates, bet that she would fail

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March 26-29

### Hot Dog Eating Contest

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### Pancake Man on the Plaza

**Tuesday, March 27:** The Pancake Man on the Plaza from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. \$3 all-you-can eat.

### Photo Hunt & Volleyball of the Sexes Game

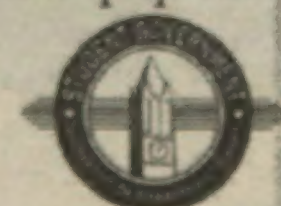
**Wednesday, March 28:**

-Photo Scavenger Hunt from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Teams of four with a digital camera are invited to participate. The team to return to the SG-UNO office first with everything on the list photographed wins a prize.

-Student Volleyball game from 6-9:00 p.m. at the gym in HPER. All those who attend can pick which team they think will win. If you chose correctly, you will be entered in a drawing to win a prize. Warm up at 6:00 p.m. with the game beginning at 6:30.

### Traffic & Grade Appeals Forum

**Thursday, March 29:** Forum in the fireside lounge from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Paul Kosel and Dr. Wade Robinson will be speaking about traffic and grade appeals. Free pizza and pop for all who attend.



To participate in eating contest or volleyball game sign up in the Student Govt office in MBSC.





# Campus chapel provides little-known place for serenity, worship

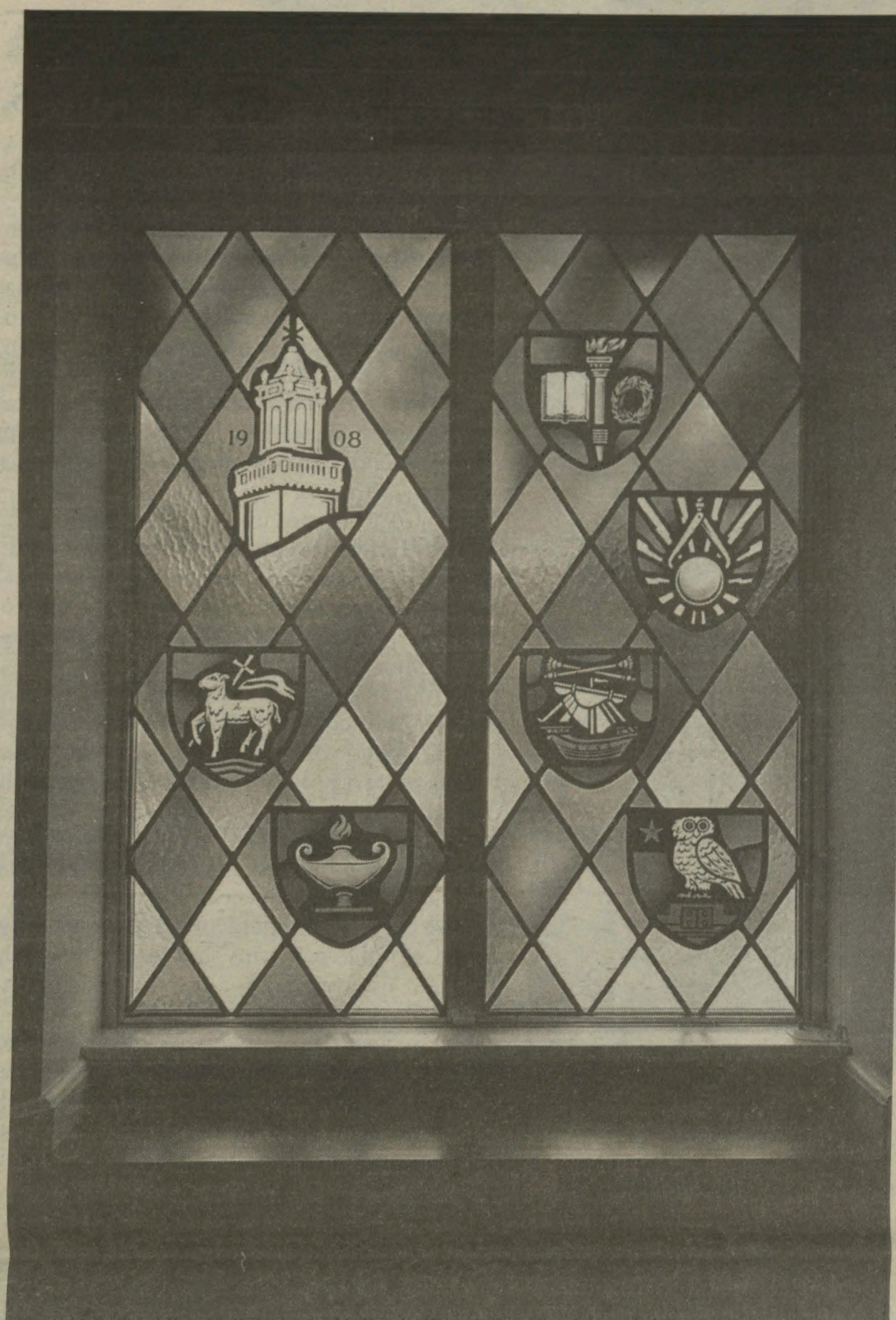


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Few students know about UNO's William F. Baxter Memorial chapel, located on the second floor of the Milo Bail Student Center. The non-denominational chapel is available to students of all faiths.

GARY HANKINS  
STAFF WRITER

People across the world have turned to personal faith and religion to guide them through their day-to-day activities. Monasteries, synagogues, churches and other houses of worship are filled with people getting their fix of spirituality and meditation throughout the week.

However, it may come as a surprise that UNO has a place of worship designed for the same purpose.

The William F. Baxter Memorial Chapel is located on the second floor of the Milo Bail Student Center and is open daily for students of any faith or creed. The chapel has been a part of the UNO campus for 50 years since the Baxter family donated it.

Baxter was president of the Thomas Kilpatrick Company and active within the community until his death in 1934. He also served on UNO's board of trustees.

According to Jim Welch, director of the MBSC administration, the purpose of the chapel is give students a place to go and have private meditation throughout the day.

"It used to have a traditional 'church' setting with rows of pews, but now those are against the walls along the inside edges," Welch said. "This was to enhance that same meditative

philosophy."

He added that the chapel runs on the same hours as all campus buildings, and no staff work inside because they want it to be strictly for individuals. It is not able to be reserved by campus groups, but they have held a few weddings there in the past, Welch said.

The Baxter Chapel is a non-denominational house that does not hold services of any kind. As far as the number of students who use the chapel on a daily basis, Welch said the school does not keep track.

"We don't pay much attention to the traffic at the chapel because it's for private use," Welch said. "We just unlock the doors in the morning, close them in the evening and hope the students take advantage of it."

Sophomore Glenna Freemeyer said she was not aware UNO had its own chapel, but "would be interested in checking it out."

"I think a chapel is unique, and a really good idea," said freshman Justin Reese, who was aware UNO had its own chapel, but had never ventured inside.

Whether it's the stress of classes, the need for a spiritual jolt or a desire to pray in private, the William F. Baxter Memorial Chapel is ready and waiting. Every student, regardless of their beliefs, is encouraged to make use of the room.



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Scott Scholars enjoy several "perks" that come along with their scholarship, including a full cafeteria inside the Scott Hall dormitory.

## Perks of being a genius: Privileged lives of Scott Scholars revealed

ABIGAIL ROSE ANSON  
STAFF WRITER

Along with taking 12 to 18 credit hours per semester, many UNO students have full- or part-time jobs in order pay their tuition, room and board. However, a select few UNO students actually get paid to go to class.

Walter Scott Jr. Scholarships are awarded annually to outstanding high school graduates pursuing undergraduate degrees from the UNL College of Engineering and Technology (Omaha Campus) or UNO's College of Information, Science and Technology. The scholarship includes tuition and reimbursement ranging from \$4,000 to \$12,000 annually.

Walter Scott Jr., the founder of the scholarship, is a lifetime resident of Omaha. According to Forbes.com, Scott joined his father at Omaha construction outfit Peter Kiewit Sons' Inc. after earning his civil

engineering degree from Colorado State in 1953. He was named chief executive of Peter Kiewit Sons' Inc. in 1979, and in 2006 he was named the 297th richest person in the world in *Forbes* magazine. According to *Forbes*, Scott's net worth is estimated at \$1.3 billion.

Scott Scholar students speak highly of the man who founded their scholarship.

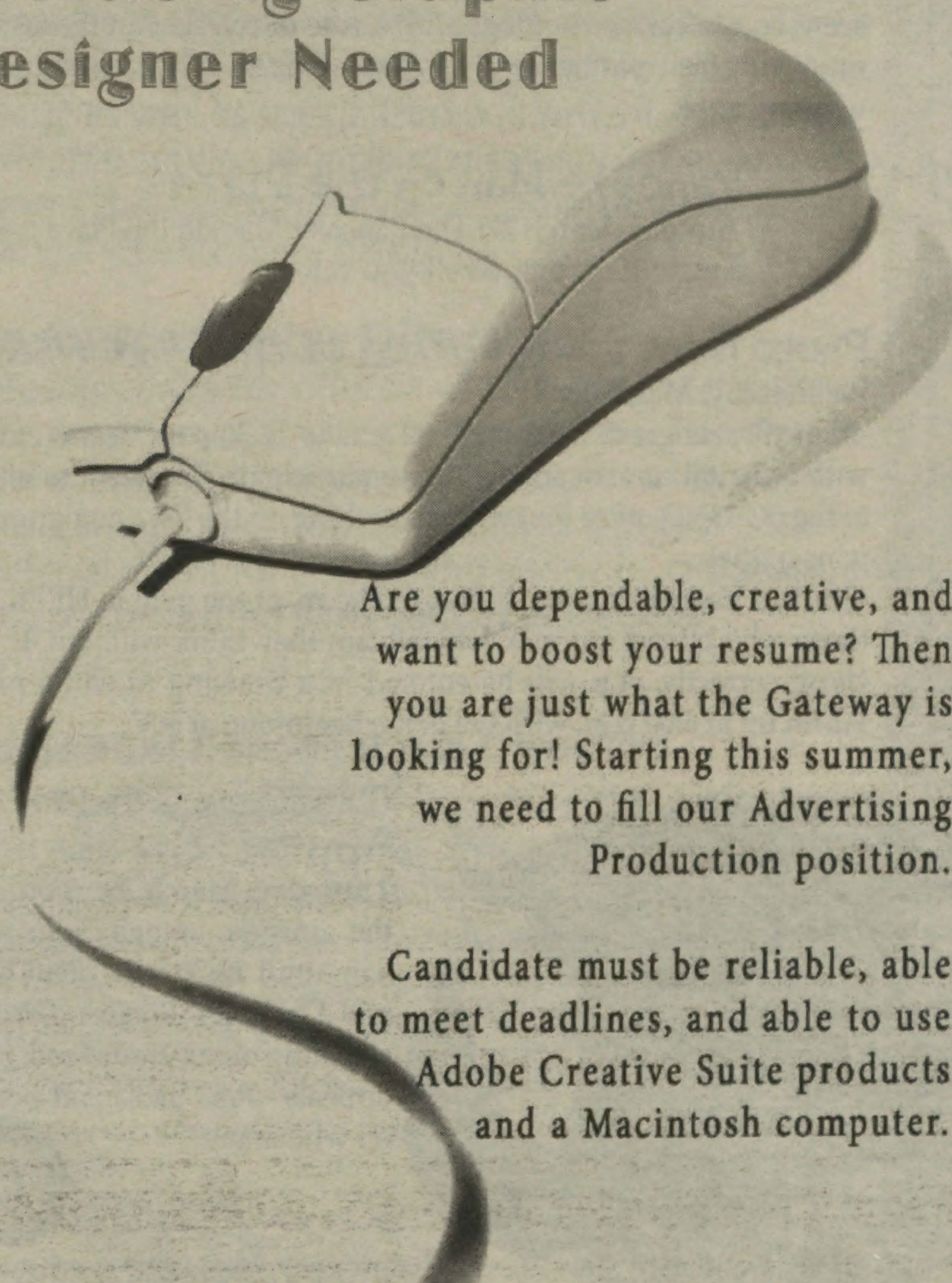
"Walter Scott Jr. is a very generous man who insists that we all give back to the communities that we grew up in because, after all, it shaped us into the people that we are today," said junior Andrew Heuermann.

To qualify for the Scott Scholarship, candidates must receive an ACT score of 30 or above. The scholarship is renewable for up to four years.

Upon receiving the scholarship, Scott Scholars each receive a new personal computer system and priority status for

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the exams, but they were wrong.

"I got a 98 [percent] and they had to pay for a full day at Elizabeth Arden," she said.

During Cotton's time in New York, she attended New York University at her employer's expense. She also met her husband Ira, whom she married in 1973. Ira was visiting from Washington, D.C., where he was working on his Ph.D. at George Washington University.

After getting married, the couple spent several months commuting back and forth between New York and Washington, D.C., before Cotton moved to Washington, D.C., to live with Ira. There she enrolled in GWU and obtained her position as an economist working for the U.S. Department of Energy.

In his first State of the Union address, President Reagan used a line from Cotton's briefing book on energy conservation through tax incentives for Fortune 500 companies.

While in Washington, D.C., Cotton became pregnant. Her first daughter, Anna, was born 16 weeks early, forcing Cotton to leave her job and drop out of school. Anna's medical needs required full-time care, so Cotton became a stay-at-home mother. Three years later, her daughter Amy was also born prematurely.

Once her children's needs were stable and they were in school, Cotton became a licensed realtor to help supplement the family income.

"It gave me a chance to use my drama background because I had to use my communication skills," Cotton said. "It also took advantage of my economic and financial skills."

In 1995, Ira received a job offer in Omaha, and the family has been here ever since.

After moving to Omaha, Cotton became an active volunteer. She said she believes volunteer work is an important part of life.

"When life is good, you have to make sure others have better," she said.

Cotton is on the board of directors for the Friends of the UNMC Eppley Cancer Center and the Omaha Symphony Guild. She is also a founder of the Heartland Literacy Coalition, a volunteer event planner for the Sunshine Foundation and the board liaison for the Rose Theatre Guild.

She said her passion for children and the arts has driven much of her volunteer work.

"The only way you can get kids to want to participate in these art forms is to expose them to these art forms," she said. "After all, they are the future audiences for concerts and theater productions. If apathy reigns, the arts will die."

Cotton's work with non-profit organizations has also inspired her educational pursuit. Her major is public administration with a minor in mass communication. Not having a bachelor's degree, she said, always bothered her.

"It's my big shame," she said. She even kept the information from her two daughters until they were almost finished with college themselves. "I didn't want anyone or thing to interfere with my daughters' education," Cotton said.

Cotton also kept her degree status hidden from longtime friend Gwen Privetera. Privetera met Cotton through the Omaha Chamber of Commerce Executive Institute. The two women have known each other for 10 years. Initially surprised by Cotton's confession, Privetera said Cotton was already very skilled. "Communication is a strength for her," she said.

These days Cotton feels free to work toward her own degree. A Dean's List student, Cotton needs only seven more classes to graduate. Privetera said she fully supports Cotton's return to school.

"I think it's great. Marcy is really dedicated to finishing," she said.

Cotton also has the support of her daughter, Amy. Amy said she is proud of her mother for going to school while continuing to be a full-time wife, mother, community volunteer and non-profit professional.

"She is one more person that is proof that it is never too late to complete a higher education," Amy said. "She brings a lot of her experience to the classroom."

For Cotton, the joy of learning new information never grows old. She said she may even consider something more after she graduates from UNO.

"I would love to have a law degree," she said.

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living accommodations in the high-tech Scott Residence Hall. The Hall, located on the south campus, has its own private parking lot, weight room, arcade lounge, cafeteria and controlled-access entryway.

"Scott Residence Hall was built separate for Scott Scholars so they would have a more studious atmosphere to live in," said Jonathan Orlich, College Park property manager.

And the perks don't end with the hall.

"Tuition, housing and food are all automatically deducted from our scholarship," said Andrew Heuermann. "Any money left is received in a refund check. We also get early registration for classes."

Laura Heuermann, a freshman Scott Scholar and Andrew's younger sister, said she enjoys the lounge rooms located on every floor with full kitchens and big-screen TVs.

She said she especially appreciates living at Scott Hall during the winter.

"... You don't have to go outside to go see your neighbors, do your laundry or eat in the cafeteria," she said.

Scott Scholars also get to have dinner with Scott and his wife each year at the couple's "barn."

"Besides stables, it has an indoor swimming pool, game room and a home theater; not really a barn if you ask me," Andrew Heuermann said.

Jean Munger, assistant for development of the Peter Kiewit Institute, said 34 new Scott Scholars were accepted in 2006. About 300 students apply each year. Currently there are 169 Scott Scholars at UNO.

As far as great scholarships are concerned, Scott Scholar recipients know they have it made. But they are grateful for the opportunities the scholarship provides them.

"Being a Scott scholar is a great honor," said junior Chris Duff.

And as for Duff's favorite part of being a Scott Scholar? "Meeting Walter Scott [Jr.] himself," he said.

**Two Dudes**

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Senior Zac Robinson said after three surgeries he probably won't be playing too much basketball once he graduates. However, he will be playing more golf.

## Crunch time: Senior athletes prioritize for job hunt

JASON GLENN  
SPORTS EDITOR

To crib from a popular NCAA ad, there are more than 300 student-athletes at UNO and the vast majority of them are going pro in something other than sports.

As graduation day draws near and the prospect of the "real world" looms large on the horizon, Mavs in their senior year are forced to add one more ball to the school/study/game/practice juggling routine they face every day: the job search.

While most athletes have settled into a manageable routine with school and sports by their senior year, the universally stressful career question can present a whole new set of hurdles.

"It's been really challenging. This has probably been the hardest part of my career, trying to balance athletics and trying to build on my career at the same time," said LaCheryl Prince, who played women's basketball for four years before signing on to the track team.

Prince actually graduated in December with a bachelor's degree in journalism and has already started working towards her master's in communication, which she hopes will lead her into a career with an advertising firm.

In the meantime, she has managed to keep up an

internship with Career Exploration and Outreach on campus, land a part-time job with the Boys & Girls Club, serve as student representative on the Athletic Director Search Committee and bring home the North Central Conference triple jump crown.

While "active" may not be an adequate enough word for her hectic lifestyle, Prince said there are many intangible benefits to keeping her time and energies full.

"I've really enjoyed working with the youth and seeing where I was maybe 10 years ago," she said. "I think, down the line, I could see myself doing some kind of PR for a nonprofit like the Boys' & Girls' Club. It's a really rewarding situation."

For some hardworking Mavs, though, the process turned out to be unexpectedly smooth.

While Zac Robinson was knocking down three-pointers last season on his way to becoming the men's basketball team's all-time record holder, he was also on the job hunt.

But just as Robinson made his long-distance marksmanship appear effortless, so did he refine the career search into one simple step.

The journalism major landed the first job he went for, a sales position with telecommunications provider Prairie Voice Services.

"I planned on it taking longer than it did, but I was fortunate enough to get into this, start interviewing and it happened pretty quickly," he said. "I think it is a place that I can grow and prosper in my business career now."

Robinson, who is working full-time, finishing out his degree and planning an August wedding to UNO marketing student Jonnie Horner, said he was thrilled to have his future job plans cemented but knew it wasn't necessarily the norm.

"Mine's probably not typical of the situation that a lot of kids are having," he said.

One Maverick who's anything but typical is volleyball player Stacie Wemhoff.

After a former teammate who was moving recommended her as a replacement, Optimum Fitness contacted the Exercise Science major with an offer to work as a trainer for local top executives.

But Wemhoff had her own idea.

"I got a phone call one day and they asked if I wanted a job, and I said, 'Well, look, let's see if I could be an intern first and let me get done with school,'" she said.

The company, which boasts corporations like PayPal and First National Bank as clients, agreed to save the full-time position for Wemhoff until summer while she fulfills the internship, a small part of her 23-credit hour load.

The enterprising and motivated Wemhoff, who hopes to start her own business one day, also wants to finalize her decision on graduate school. She plans to pursue a master's in either fitness and wellness management or business administration as a means to her goal.

Regardless of which direction she takes, Wemhoff said she has already found the key to a successful career path.

"It is a lot of fun and, I tell you what, there's not a day that goes by that I don't learn something new," she said. "I'm really liking what I do and I'm finding that this was definitely the direction I wanted to go, and I did not waste my mom and dad's money."



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Senior LaCheryl Prince played basketball for four years before slipping on spikes and claiming an NCC triple jump title.

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## Mavs track top-10 in NCAA II meet



LaVerne Monger

JASON GLENN  
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For the third straight year, the UNO women's track and field team finished their indoor season among the elite of NCAA Division II.

Though the Mavs fell short of last year's eighth-place finish, one of the best in school history, they did achieve their goal of a top-10 showing in the NCAA II Championships at Boston's Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center.

Powered by the strong legs of senior LaVerne Monger, sophomore Molly Belling and the fastest 4x400 relay team in school history, UNO scored 16 points to end up in a 10th-place tie with Winona State University.

Track powerhouse St. Augustine's College of Raleigh, N.C., easily outdistanced the entire field to carry the team title with 105 points.

Both Belling and the 4x400 squad of junior Karin Clarkson, senior Angela Kampschnieder, sophomore Pinar Saka and Monger responded to the competition with school-record performances.

Belling reclaimed the 200-meter record with a blazing 24.29-second showing in the finals, good enough for third place and six team points.

And the 4x400 relay team picked up five points with a fourth-place finish in 3:43.37, shaving almost two seconds off the previous UNO record.

Monger also contributed five points of her own, coming in fifth in the 200 and eighth in the 60-meter dash.

The distance medley relay team of sophomore Kelli Mertes, Kampschnieder, freshman Mary Margaret Nelson and junior Tahnee Tuenger also had a strong weekend, notching 10th place, and senior LaCheryl Prince ended her indoor season with a 14th-place showing in the triple jump.

## Softball drops game before rainout



Maverick pitcher Taren Kirk (photo at left) gets ready to unleash on her windup in UNO's first home game Wednesday afternoon. Kirk at one point retired 14 straight Hornet batters and ended the game with four strikeouts. The second game of the doubleheader was called because of rain and lightning in the fifth inning.

Jennifer McDowell gets a congratulatory fist bump after hitting a single in the third inning. No. 6-ranked Emporia State picked up two runs in the 10th inning to outlast the Mavs 2-0.

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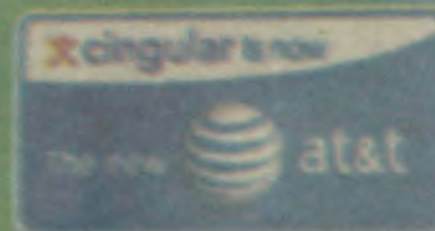
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## Mavs In A Minute

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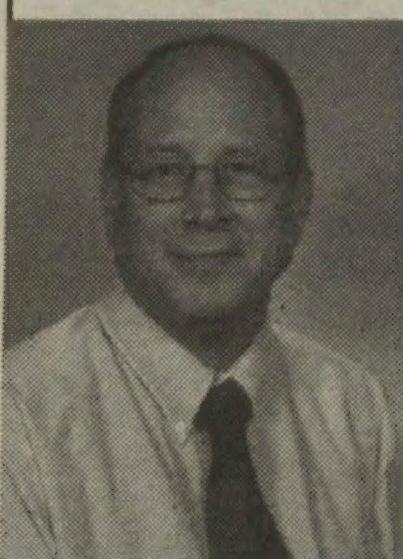
### R.J. Nebe Service to be at Fieldhouse Friday

A memorial service for UNO Athletic Hall of Fame wrestler R.J. Nebe will be Friday night at 7 p.m. at Lee & Helene Sapp Fieldhouse. The arena was the site of Nebe's 1988 national championship win in the NCAA II tournament.

Nebe ended his career as the all-time winningest wrestler at UNO. He finished with a 153-31-4 record and was the school's first four-time All-American. That stood until heavyweight Les Sigman surpassed the win total in 2006.

Nebe, 42, passed away on Monday morning from leukemia.

### Smith named NCC coach of the year



Steve Smith

First-year head track coach Steve Smith has been named the North Central Conference women's indoor track and field coach of the year by a vote of the league's coaches.

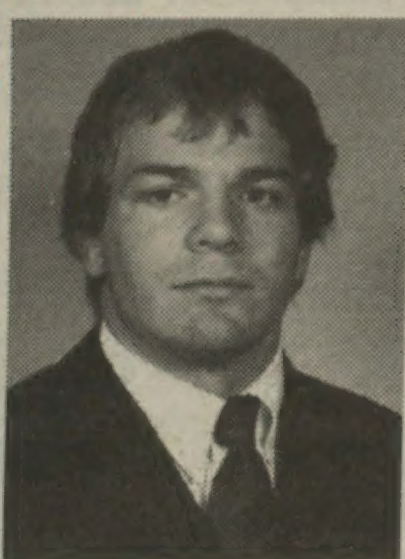
Smith, who took over the program after Tim Hendricks retired in September, led the Mavericks to their first indoor team title in 26 years last month. UNO had seven champions in the meet.

### Naig, Boehm pick up NCC wrestling honors

Senior JD Naig has been named the North Central Conference Wrestler of the Year by a vote of league coaches. The coaches also selected the Mavericks' Austin Boehm as the Freshman of the Year.

Naig, from Emmetsburg, Iowa, won the NCAA Division II national championship at 174 pounds and finished the season with a 42-7 record, including an undefeated mark in NCAA Division II competition. He was honored as both

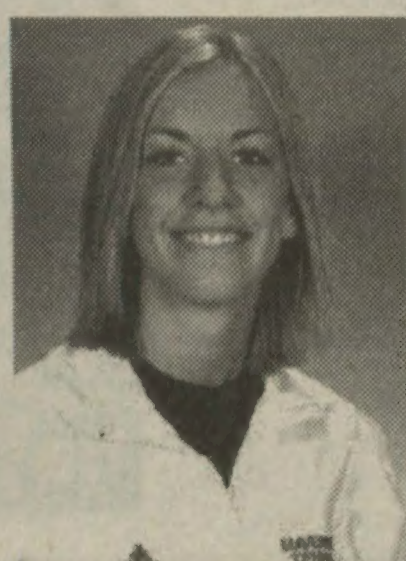
the NCAA Division II National Tournament Outstanding Wrestler and the UNO Wrestler of the Year. He finished his career with a 140-26 mark, the fourth-best in UNO history, and was a three-time NCAA Division II champion.



Austin Boehm

Boehm, from Urbandale, Iowa, finished second at 184 pounds at the NCAA Division II Wrestling Championships. He is the first true freshman in UNO history to reach the national finals and finished the season with a 28-14 mark.

### Tennis team records seventh straight win



Rachel Faulk

The University of Nebraska at Omaha tennis team edged visiting Northwest Missouri State, 5-4, Friday night to improve to 8-1 on the season. The Mavericks have now won seven straight matches.

The Mavericks got off to a quick start, winning the first three singles matches. Rachel Faulk defeated Emily Lindsay, 7-6, 6-3 at No. 1 singles. Maggie Russell defeated Carolina Amaral, 6-3, 6-1 at No. 2 singles. Amy Pierson won the No. 3 singles match over Lina Gomez, 6-4, 6-1.

The Mavericks' top doubles team of Russell/Faulk helped secure the victory with an 8-3 win over Gomez and Amaral.



Cheris Kuster

### Softball team finishes Florida road trip 7-5

After two-and-a-half weeks of cancellations and postponements due to weather, the UNO softball team had more than enough opportunities to

shake off the dust on their recent Florida road trip.

Cheris Kuster and Taren Kirk each tossed three-hit shutouts as the Mavericks completed a 12-game trip to Florida with a 1-0 win over Massachusetts-Lowell and a 6-0 win over California (Pa.) in the Rebel Spring Games Thursday.

The Mavs finished the five-day event with four straight wins to run their record to 7-5 on the season.

### Golf team cards 12<sup>th</sup>-place finish in Florida tournament



Kate O'Dea

Kate O'Dea's 87 on the final day led the Mavericks, who finished 12th in the Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational March 13 at the par-72, 6,089-yard Tuscowilla Country Club. It was the opening tournament of the spring season for UNO, which shot a 358 Tuesday for a 1,033 total in the 54-hole event.

Lindsay Newton led the Mavericks with a tie for 52nd, shooting 253 for the event.

UNO's next assignment will be the Missouri Western Invitational March 25-26 in St. Joseph, Mo.

### Former Mav signs with CFL team

Former All-American linebacker Taiwo Onatolu has signed a contract to play for the Calgary Stampeders of the Canadian Football League. Onatolu played for the Mavericks from 2002-2005 and finished his career as one of the school's all-time defensive leaders.

Onatolu stands No. 2 in total tackles with 371. He was a three-time All-North Central Conference first-team pick and earned first-team All-American honors in 2004 and second-team honors in 2005.



Taiwo Onatolu

## Mavs weather early storms and road trips, prepare for mid-season run

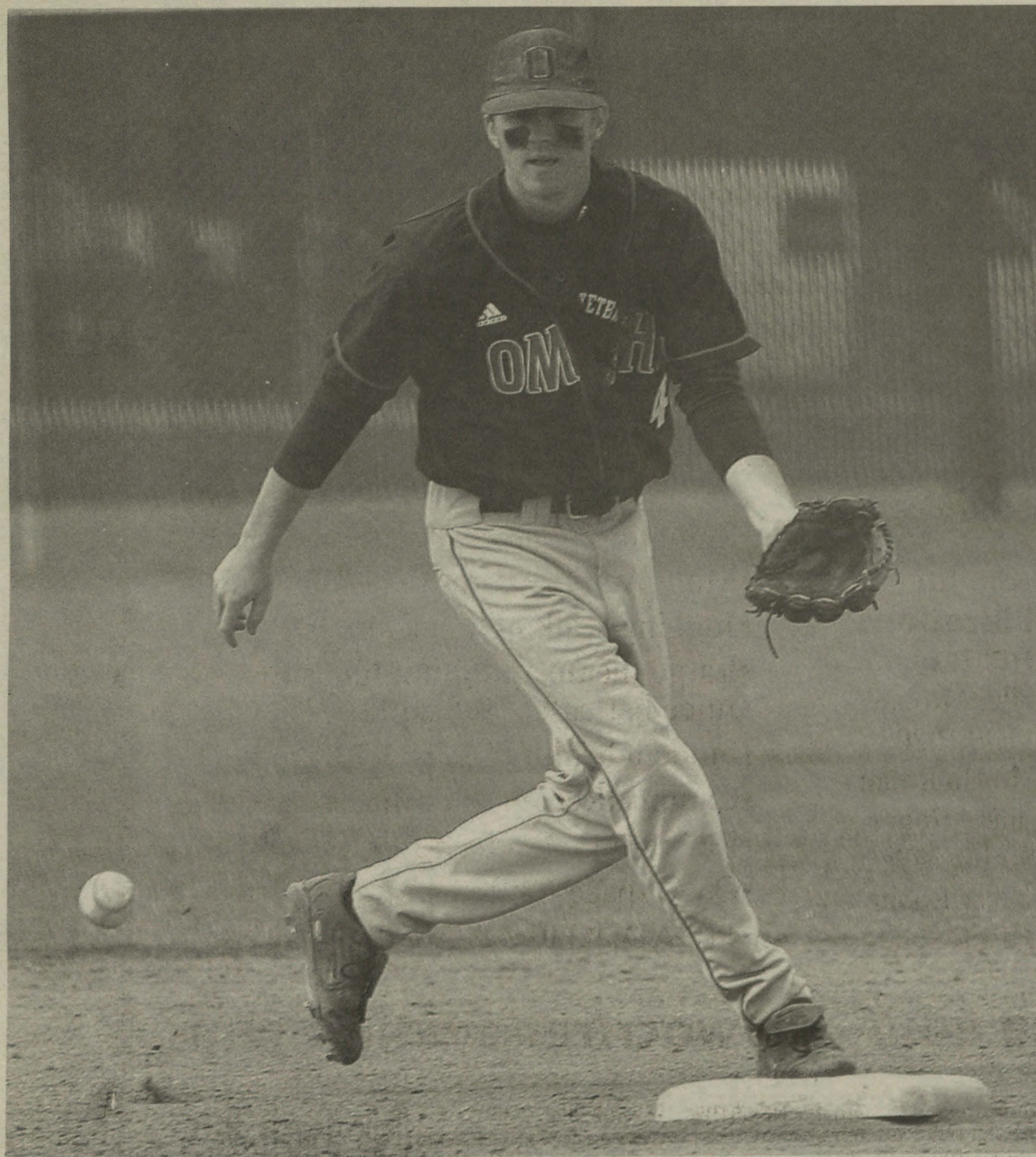


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Junior Matt Meyer moves on a grounder in a UNO game last year. The Mavs' first home game is March 27.

JASON SIBSON  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

They've traveled through the wheat fields of Kansas. They have played near the Giant Beethoven head in Fort Meyers, Fla. They saw the arch in Missouri and the Rockies of Denver, Colo.

Sounds like plenty of opportunities for sightseeing, but for UNO's boys of summer this was not that kind of road trip.

Winter weather in Omaha early this month delayed the coming-home party for Maverick baseball, and that left them in the midst of a treacherous road trip to start the season. Twenty-five games in 28 days, all being played out of state.

Although this much road action can put a dent in a baseball team's record, Coach Bob Herold saw all this baseball away from home as a blessing in disguise.

"I really do like it," said Herold. "You don't get that comfortable feeling, like 'we're at home, we're going to win.' You really have to learn how to play baseball."

Sunday morning the

Mavericks put together a defensive gem in Florida against an outstanding Wayne State (Mich.) team to steal a 7-2 victory.

Despite the win, the Mavericks have suffered more losing at this point in the season than fans have been accustomed to in previous years. The club currently holds a 9-11 record, with 5 more games still remaining on this road trip.

Everybody wants to win, but the biggest thing now is just getting to know each other.

"We have a lot of new faces," Herold pointed out.

"Everybody wants to win, but the biggest thing now is just getting to know each other."

Some of the guys Herold knows well have been the veteran rocks he expected them to be, keeping this team afloat during the feeling-out process of the season.

Sophomore Evan Porter and junior Bryan Frew are posting averages well above

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## Getting "reel" with UNO alum-turned-reality-television-producer Mark Allen



Courtesy of Mark Allen

UNO graduate Mark Allen traded in his business suit for lights, cameras and reality television. Allen moved to California to break into the entertainment industry and succeeded.

MICHAEL MCMANUS  
A&L Editor

"Supernanny."

What were you studying at UNO and did you ever dream or imagine that you would one day end up in L.A. producing television shows?

I graduated from UNO in 1987. I studied journalism with a PR emphasis. I didn't study television production because the technical side scared me. It still does. Ask anyone who knows me. So I never thought I'd have what it takes. But I did dream as a kid of working in television. In fact, I was creating my own game shows with pretend contestants when I was 8 years old.

How did you end up in California? Did you plan on moving after graduation, or were you hoping to find work in Omaha?

It took a long time to get here. I didn't move to Los Angeles until I was 36, after a 13-year public relations career back in Omaha. Fortunately, I had

fallen on some tough times and been fired from two corporate jobs, so I had nothing to lose moving west.

Do you think it is possible for someone who wants to work in the entertainment field to get a job in Omaha? Or is moving to a bigger city their best bet?

If you want to work in Los Angeles or New York, or even Chicago, then move there. There is really

no benefit in working in Omaha first. None of it will matter on your resume - at least that's what I found.

That being said, many people work in the arts in Omaha and are successful. But the options are extremely limited. That's one thing I love about L.A. - the possibilities are endless.

How did you get to the position you have now?

I worked my way up slowly. I had been a producer on some game shows and done some talk pilots when I got into prime-time reality with "The Bachelorette" back in 2002. Most recently, I was supervising producer on "Supernanny," also for ABC. It has been a steady climb, I guess. And yes, much easier than people would assume in terms of availability of work. But these are not 9 to 5 jobs. If you want those kinds of hours, weekends free, paid vacation and health insurance coverage, you're looking in the wrong field. Basically, I'm a freelancer, though I was under contract with Warner Brothers/Telepictures for several years with "The Bachelor" and other projects there like "The Real Gilligan's Island."

Is it a struggle working up the career ladder or was it easier than some would assume?

It is a struggle at times. I've probably been without work maybe 12 weeks or so in the almost 8 years I've been in Los Angeles. The key is to never have a list going of people who would not hire you again.

Do you think it takes a certain type of personality to make it in the entertainment industry? If so, what type?

Those who won't take "no" for an answer. And people who are hungry for it. You have to want to work your butt off for the sake of entertaining people. For me, anyway, it's not so much about the numbers as it is giving people a diversion from their everyday worries. Or, in the case of "Supernanny," being part of something that truly helps people live their lives better.

What project are you currently working on?

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## Omahanightlife.com

Spotlight on Omaha's Arts and leisure scene



Omahanightlife.com is Omaha's premiere local night life web site. The site showcases photos, event calendars, models and an endless variety of night life options.

DREW HANSON  
STAFF WRITER

Omahanightlife.com has become Omaha's ultimate interactive guide to the local night scene. Sarah Johnston, a writer and public relations coordinator for the company, explains why.

### What is the goal of the site?

Our goal with Omahanightlife.com was to provide the Omaha area with information regarding different events

and happenings in the Omaha area. Since we've succeeded in doing this, we plan to continue and are constantly expanding to make sure we cover every type of event in Omaha. We have started a national site called TheNightSite.com and plan to be the nation's biggest night guide as well.

### How do you pick the places to photograph?

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## Buffyverse makes bloody good book

HALEY EDWARDS  
THE SEATTLE TIMES  
(MCT)

SEATTLE -- Jennifer Ouellette is a modern girly girl with a closet full of shoes, a pink Razor cell phone and a huge obsession with ... astrophysics?

That's right. This Seattle Pacific University alumna has become, rather by accident, a nationally recognized science writer and an invaluable liaison between hardcore physics scholars and the average Joan.

In both her long-running physics blog, "Cocktail Party Physics," and her first book, *Black Bodies and Quantum Cats: Tales from the Annals of Physics*, Ouellette uses pop-culture metaphors to explain complex topics in modern physics, astro and otherwise. She references Magneto of Marvel Comics to explain magnetism, Fabio to explain the physics of roller coasters and Tarot cards to illustrate the dynamic probabilities of our physical universe.

Her new book, *The Physics of the Buffyverse* (Penguin, \$15), follows the same formula. Only this time, Ouellette employs a rather more offbeat metaphor: The popular TV series "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" and its spinoff, "Angel."

At first glance, it's a pretty tough sell. Especially considering that the plot lines of both "Buffy" and "Angel" hinge on the idea that vampires and demons regularly bubble up from the underworld and must be rebuffed by a ragtag clan of high-school hotties who, when they're not battling evil, are like totally worried about prom. Not exactly fertile ground for the staunch realism of modern science,

right?

But against all odds, Ouellette pulls it off.

In one particularly enticing chapter, Ouellette recounts the time that Buffy, our starring demon-slinging blonde, crosses into another universe to relate the potentiality of a tear in the time/space fabric. While I wouldn't recommend bringing up references to special relativity in "Buffy" episodes on a first date, the book is a great way to commune with your inner nerd.

As an English major and one-time physics-phobe herself, Ouellette writes in a style that is both charmingly accessible and non-condescending.

"Not knowing the basics of physics doesn't make you stupid," Ouellette explains. "I know lots of very educated people with advanced degrees, who speak many languages, and they don't even know what Schrodinger's cat is."

Uh, whose cat?

Exactly.

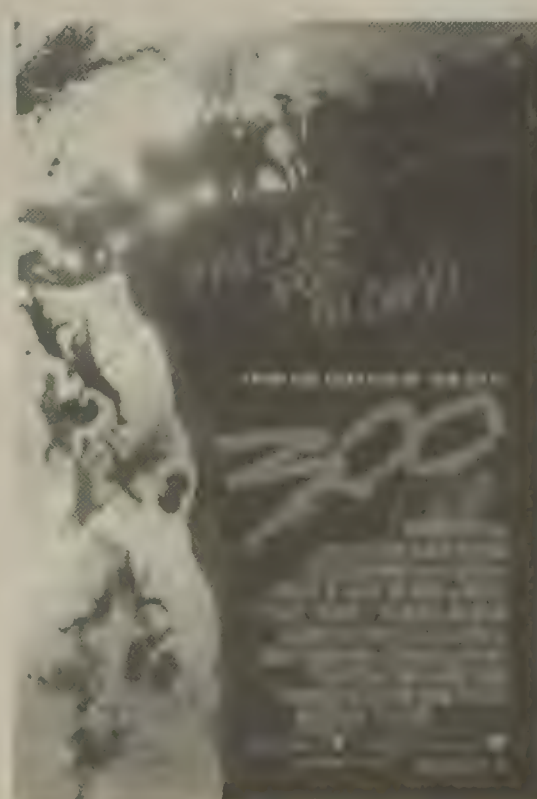
But by not assuming any prerequisite knowledge of her readers, Ouellette's work is evidently infuriating to some people within the scientific community.

One physicist wrote a 26-page critique of Ouellette's first book, pointing out every chapter that he believed to be wrong.

"These are really, really, really complicated concepts" wormholes, quantum physics and multiverses, to name a few "but I just give people the big picture of what's going on," she says. "The stuff he cited wasn't

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## In short: Movie reviews in under 150 words



300

All history lessons should be this fun. Zach Snyder's (*Dawn of the Dead*) adaptation of Frank Miller's (*Sin City*) graphic novel about the 300 Spartan warriors who fought the Persian Empire at the Battle of Thermopylae is full of violence, half-naked men and women as well as yelling -- a lot of yelling. But, if you are like me, those are all good things. While the actors are no-namers, the acting is mediocre and the plot about as thin as the newsprint this ink is printed on, that doesn't mean that *300* is a bad movie; far from it. In fact, *300* is one of the best action movies in the last five years. Thanks to a hyper-stylized mix of battle techniques from *The Gladiator*, *The Matrix* and *Lord of the Rings*, *300* may not be an instant classic, but without a doubt, it is the first "must-see" movie of 2007.

Grade: B

-Charley Reed



The Ultimate Gift

The classic train of thought considering the importance of money over love is once again considered in *The Ultimate Gift*. The inspirational drama is based on the book by Jim Stovall that has sold more than 3 million copies. When Jason Stevens' grandfather dies, he anticipates a large inheritance. What his grandfather left him was the last thing Jason expected. Instead of money, he was left 12 gifts meant to send him on a journey to discover what is most important in life; money or happiness. *The Ultimate Gift* is a heartwarming story that shows that good can come out of anyone as long as there is someone to help uncover what's hidden inside.

Grade: B+

-Michael McManus



Zodiac

If you like to be scared, what better than a true story to feed your need. *Zodiac* tells the story of a serial killer whose horrific murders terrorized northern California in the late 1960s and early '70s. The sickest part is the killer played it like a game, sending in puzzles to television stations and reporters all while taunting the public and leading them on one sick cat-and-mouse chase. Jake Gyllenhaal stars as a cartoonist for the San Francisco Chronicle with a fascination with the Zodiac killer. He gets in over his head, to say the least. The story unfolds wonderfully but is often a graphic and intense. It's almost three hours long, but the ending is worth the wait.

Grade: A-

-Michael McManus



# My cacti-spiked, quintessential Arizona spring break experience

## On The Beat



Brent Crampton

After bladder control and spilled soda water on my pants, I found myself in the spectator position of an earth-toned apartment in the middle of Phoenix, Ariz. Well, it must not be in the middle based on my observation of low-flying airplanes among the wild, weed-like cacti in the front yard.

Maybe it's the hand-made jewelry to my left, or the ceramic Jesus nightlight to my right, but as I watch a Seattle grad student rolling a joint, I feel the buzz from the free, sample-regurgitated wines we indulged in at our last destination. And the culmination of these experiences form the tapestry known as my senior Spring Break.

Unless I adopt some Van Wilder ethos, this is

arguably my last spring break experience ever. I just thought of that. Weird.

Well, regardless, what's more interesting than my present situation is the contrast I'm about to detail. My last article forecasted a review of the African Unity celebration that was set to take place in North Omaha via the Pan African Student Organization. After a DJ set that lasted until 1 a.m., I was scheduled to check out the festivities as they progressed into the after-hours portion of the night. Unbeknownst to me, a fickle and fumbled snowstorm rained down on our city. And instead of trudging my front-wheel drive Malibu through the snow to some unexplored territory, I opted to downtown Benson for a sparingly attended salsa soiree.

But as I reflect upon the post-snow experience of Omaha, I sit within 10 feet of a cacti forest in 80-degree weather. And the green, erectile cacti with sharp slivers are the prelude to the pre-St. Paddy's Day greendom party I'm going to DJ at, that happens to be at a gay club.

From what I hear, it's a gender relations heyday. Straights dancing next to gays, dancing next to lesbians, dancing next to beyonds. And isn't that what it's about? Music, just like it has been doing since the '70s in the underground disco scene in New York City, has the power to transcend social barriers and economic status. And after my full night of activation festivities, I find that it's nearly 6 a.m. in Omaha and 4 a.m. in Phoenix. But yet it was all worth it when we came upon the college house party, equipped with a Blue Moon keg and an Asian DJ throwing down some trip hop. I didn't even know such things existed. And yet there I was, standing not on concrete or fertilized grass, but rock pebbles serving as the water-less option of it all. Thus the rain is slow to come, but the enrichment of my soul through the landscape acts like a sponge. But before I delve into things that have yet to happen, I'll save the travel writing refrains for next week when I take my annual Miami Winter Music Conference excursion. Until then, be well.

## School of rock: Music labels rely on student reps, college support

BY CHRISTINA HOAG  
McCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS  
(MCT)

MIAMI -- Jesse Stoll remembers falling asleep backstage at a No Doubt concert as a kid, collecting autographs from the likes of Ozzy Osbourne and Bruce Springsteen, traipsing behind his concert-promoter dad checking box office sales.

So it makes sense that today, as a 21-year-old junior at University of Miami, Stoll is already way plugged into the music business.

He works for Sony BMG pitching new rock bands and manages his own group called Big Bang Radio. Oh yeah, he manages to sandwich in classes in copyright law and finance, too.

"It gets overwhelming at times," he admits.

Music-impassioned college students such as Stoll have formed a key part of record labels' marketing programs for years.

Companies such as Sony BMG rely on student reps to build word-of-mouth for new artists with props like fliers and stickers, report back on the buzz, get press in college media - and occasionally even find the next hot band. Sony BMG has 50-odd reps on campuses across the country.

These days, though, with soft

CD sales and digital piracy resulting in slimmer promotional budgets, campus marketing has taken on a new urgency.

"College students have always been a valuable group for record labels," says Stan Soocher, music business professor at the University of Colorado. "But with the drop in music sales and students so tech-savvy, it's upped the ante."

College campuses, with a youthful audience that's open to up-and-coming acts, are often the proving ground for new artists. Still, it can take years of tours, club dates and constant promotion before a band even lands a recording contract with a major label.

"You can't just go to a radio station or MTV and break in a new band these days. There's a lot more competition," says Scott Carter, vice president of marketing for Epic Records. "You have to build a grassroots base before radio and video exposure."

He points to alternative rockers Modest Mouse, now signed with Epic after emerging from the college scene.

"They were touring for 10 years and were college radio darlings," he says. "College marketing is very important for us."

Enter Stoll, whose trajectory in

the music business starts with his father Jon Stoll, the head of West Palm Beach, Fla.-based Fantasma Productions, one of few independent concert promoters still around.

The younger Stoll, of slight build, vivid blue eyes and much zeal, has been Sony BMG's rep for the past three years, promoting rock bands such as Test Your Reflex, Kings of Leon and Chevelle.

He drops off posters and displays at local retailers, organizes promotional contests and giveaways, arranges meet-and-greets with bands, hangs out at bars, clubs, shows, "anywhere the college scene is buzzing" to get the word out about Sony BMG's stable of artists.

"He's very on top of his game," says Danny Moeller, coordinator of Sony BMG's college marketing program.

Stoll won't reveal exactly how much he's paid. He says it's more than a stipend and gives him enough for some spending money and for gas. In any case, the money isn't always the main attraction. College marketing gigs can lead to record-company jobs following graduation.

Stoll, however, has more ambitions. "My dream is to bring a big band on stage," he says. "I've always wanted to manage bands."

He's already doing it. For the

past two years, he's managed Miami-based alternative pop rockers Big Bang Radio. As soon as he heard them, Stoll says, he was convinced the band's funky, powerful sound would be a hit.

BBR, which has opened for Ashlee Simpson and played Hard Rock Live!, recently won the Miami city contest in the National Million-Dollar Bodog Battle of the Bands. Out of 7,000 entrants across the country, BBR is now one of 17 bands on the final elimination tour.

BBR lead guitarist Alex Zapatier says that what Stoll lacks in age-old experience, he more than makes up for in chutzpah. "He got us on this tour," Zapatier says.

Hovering in the backstage of Stoll's budding career is his dad, but that doesn't mean that the elder Stoll is pulling strings for his son or letting him slide on grades.

"I try to guide him as I can, but I'm reluctant," says Jon Stoll, who started promoting concerts when he was 15. "I did it all myself, and he's got to learn -- you can't have anything handed to you."

Still, Jon Stoll says he's proud of his son.

"I did not push him at all into this business," he says. "It's very, very competitive, but I'd like him to follow it."

## PROPER INTERVIEW ATTIRE

Illustrated by Danny Offner  
Written By Eric Sobczak



"We noticed your resume also states you enjoy wearing suits."



"I do! I wear them all the time. Even when I sleep. Sometimes when I shower."



"Sir, you do realize we enforce a strict business dress code."



"Do a little dance...make a little love... get down tonight..."



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wrong. It just didn't include all the detail and complex equations that he would have liked."

"And anyway," she adds, laughing. "It's like, 'Don't you have anything better to do?'"

Beneath her occasional ditz-talk, or "Buffy-speak" as she calls it in her book, Ouellette herself is actually a very smart cookie. Science-savvy enough to swap shop with the big dogs, Ouellette travels regularly to physics conferences across the country, receiving awards and notoriety for articles, which cover everything from the acoustics of Mayan pyramids to that thing that happens to your speakers right before your cell phone rings.

Right now, Ouellette is in the process of moving from Washington, D.C., to Los Angeles, where she'll live with her science-y, cosmologist fiancé ("I know, isn't it a match made in heaven?" she says). When she's not keeping up her prolific blog and freelancing for an array of science journals -- articles in "New Scientist" and "Nature" are forthcoming this black-belt in jujitsu is planning a lecture on "The Physics of the Fight" (based on the eponymous chapter in "Buffyverse"), complete with a jujitsu demonstration.

She's also embarking on her

third book, which she describes as "more straight science," sans vampire metaphors. But take heart, physics-phobes: It'll have the odd pop-culture reference, too. Ouellette blames her predilection for entertaining metaphors on what she calls her "humming bird brain."

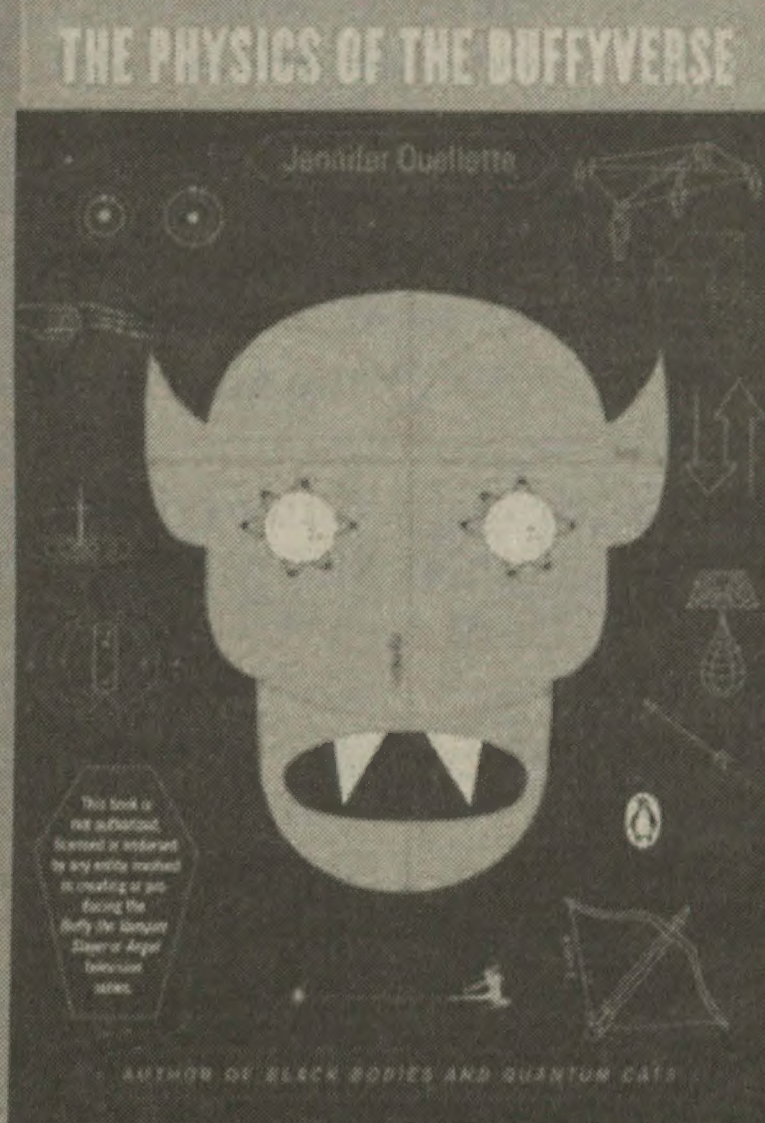
"I lose focus really easily. It's like, 'Ooh! something shiny!' and I totally forget what I was doing," she laughs. "When it comes to physics, it's the same. You could sit there and talk to me about sine and cosine and blah blah blah, and I'm gone. But if you start talking about Buffy and Spike and portals? I'm there."

But why Buffy? Of all occultish, cultish pop-phenomenon, why use vampires and demons and ditz blond cheerleaders to explain, say, String Theory?

Because Buffy flaunts the stereotype, Ouellette explains. Buffy is both high-school hottie and a smart, science-savvy, martial-arts-wielding take-no-prisoners girl. She likes the mall and she's smart.

"There are all these stereotypes for smart women in science," says Ouellette. "They think you have to be all professional and serious."

"I'm really into physics and I love my Prada handbag. Come on, people," she laughs. "Get with it."

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season and right now I am up for supervising producer of a summer series for NBC. In the meantime, I am casting director for a new fitness/weight loss show for ABC from the same production company as "Supernanny."

I've heard of a group of Nebraska natives who meet once a month in L.A., similar to a support group for those trying to break into entertainment. What was that group called and is it something you recommend getting involved with?

For anyone wanting to move to Los Angeles, it's a must. It's called the Nebraska Coast Connection and they meet the second Monday of every month at CBS Television City.

They have terrific guest speakers, and

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The majority of the venues where we do pictures advertise with us. However, we do cover other events such as charities, concerts and personal requests. All someone has to do is ask, and we'll try our hardest to be there. We also accept pictures from people since we cannot always make it to everything. We just need a minimum of 25 pictures that can be put on the site. (No nudity, no "flipping-the-bird", etc.)

Are there ever UNO-centric events that are covered?

To my knowledge, we have not covered UNO events as of lately. We would love to, though. Anyone can take pictures and submit them to us. I would love to be more informed with happenings on campus. Would you say UNO students comprise a large amount of the demographic that ONL covers?

I personally know quite a few UNO

go around the room asking if anyone needs a job or place to live. It's a great way to meet people from "home" and be a part of the industry right from the start.

What advice do you have for UNO students who want dream jobs similar to yours?

First, it often doesn't feel like a "dream job," which is OK. But here's what I often tell students: Don't listen to people who tell you what you should or shouldn't do. It's very foreign to someone working back in Omaha. And maybe frightening. I was one of those people until I finally realized "what's the worst thing that could happen?" So I packed up my stuff, drove cross-country and lived in my car for three days. And it made me strong.

students that are frequently at our events and on our site.

How long has ONL been around for?

ONL is 3 years old. In the past year we have doubled our staff and our hits on the Web site. We receive between 16 and 20 million hits on our site every month.

What's up with the models?

The ONL model section is sponsored by iSalon and Agency 89. This is just another way that we cover more of what happens in Omaha. It also allows people from other cities to see that Omaha has a lot to offer, at the same time it informs Omaha residents as to the growth of Omaha. Our model section is becoming a must-check section and features different designers, boutiques, hair dressers, make-up artists, photographers and models. We want people to know that Omaha is becoming a leader in these areas.

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**COULDN'T BELIEVE HOW EFFED UP NEW ORLEANS REMAINED WHEN I MADE A POST-KATRINA VISIT FOR A SLIDE-SHOW/BOOKSIGNING LAST SUMMER...**

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**Poverty? Nyet!!**

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**OF COURSE, YOU DON'T REALLY HAVE TO DEVELOP ANYTHING... THEY'RE NOT REAL STICKLERS WHEN IT COMES TO EVIDENCE...**

**STUPID LIBERALS!!**

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**IT WOULD REBUILD NEW ORLEANS & POSSIBLY SALVAGE A SLIVER OF BUSH'S LEGACY...**

**Kanye was wrong!! New Orleans just ain't black enough for me!!**

**OR MAYBE NOT.**

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amount of student workers at UNO is the demographic differences as compared to other schools, Perone said.

"If you consider the demographic age of our campus versus other traditional campuses," she said, "UNO's ages might be a bit different than the traditional university, who have 18-year-old freshmen traditionally attending as first-year students."

Caleb Beasley, like many UNO students, is working his way through school. Sometimes he feels the stress of working while attending school, he said. Fortunately, he manages his time effectively to avoid stressful situations.

"There are some times when I have to stay up later and not get as

much sleep, but it's working out for me pretty well so far," Beasley, a civil engineering major, said. "[Working] definitely keeps my days full, but without it I wouldn't be able to pay my way through college. It's about the only way I could do it, and really I don't have any regrets."

Perone sees Beasley's attitude in many UNO students.

"I think that with any college student, whether they go to UNO or any college, there is, or there has to be, that work [and] life balance," she said. "Sometimes when you work a lot, and you're taking a full-time course load in addition to that, it is hard to balance things a little bit, but I don't really hear much about additional stress on UNO students per se."

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.300, seemingly knocking in a run every game.

"There's your veteran guys," noted Herold. "Unless they break a leg or something, you expect them to play well."

Sophomore Tyler Cloyd has been all-world both on the mound and at the plate, leading the team in innings pitched and RBI's.

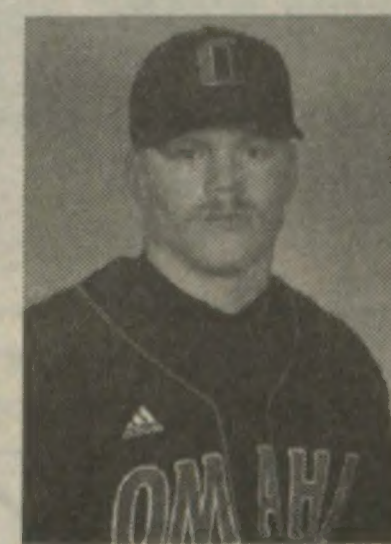
Around this time last year, the Mavericks began a string of 18 straight victories and will look to start that kind of a run again this year. More than anything, the club

just wants to get back home.

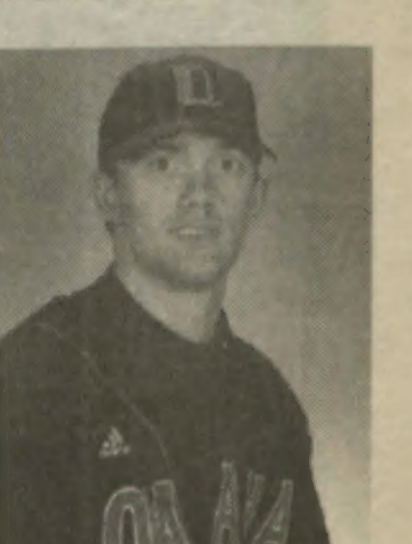
"Everybody wants to get home, see their girlfriends and their moms and dads," said Herold.

For the Mavericks, Omaha is just five road games away. They will play two with Washburn in Topeka, Kan., before they end their journey in Joplin, Miss., in a three-game tangle with Missouri Southern.

The home opener is now set for March 27, against non-conference rival Emporia State. Conference play leads off Friday, April 6.



Bryan Frew



Tyler Cloyd



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photo by Will Targy

UNO Campus Crusade for Christ took 19 student volunteers to New Orleans to assist in the continued efforts to rebuild more than a year after Hurricane Katrina ravaged Gulf Coast communities.

**March 13**

On the second day ... the humidity was ungodly high, and the insects were ravenous.

Instead of picking up trash around the perimeter, we stayed primarily in the middle of the complex, doing some landscape work on the nature walk trails. The paths were still relatively clear, and the marked trails could easily be found.

Our work consisted of pulling up weeds and overturning small trees that had sprouted inside the walking paths. The job was tedious, and between the frequent water breaks and bug spray showers, it seemed like our work was not going to make a mark on the place after we left.

I held this theory until we ran into a man named Glen, who was volunteering. I had personally not spoken, in depth, with him, but some of our group members did.

From their reports, Glen had been volunteering at the center for over 20 years, just helping with general upkeep and activities. After Katrina, Glen had lost his home and could not stay at the nature center. Recently, he had some breathing room after taking care of his house and family, to return to the center and continue his work.

Glen's departing words were, "I can't begin to thank you for your help. It may not seem like you did much, but every weed you pulled is one less than I have to; every piece of trash you pick up gets us one step closer to opening our gates."

After that, I don't think anyone felt their presence hadn't made an impact.

**March 14**

The past two days our group has been going "demo derby" on a house outside of downtown New Orleans.

The house was a group home for, I believe, mentally challenged individuals. The house had not been touched since the hurricane, so all of the furniture and belongings were still inside. Without the large X's and circles spray painted on the front doors, we would have thought the neighborhoods had been abandoned.

Our first task for Wednesday morning was to remove everything from the house, so we could begin tearing down the drywall and cabinets. All of what we found was tossed into a large trash pile in the front lawn, close to the curb.

The only thing that was kept was a scrapbook, which one of our workers, Neal Bonacci, had found while going through a closet. When the ladies who had lived and worked at the group home came by later that day, they were in tears when they saw that the scrapbook had been salvaged.

After a quick lunch, it was back to work for our troops. Since we had everything out of the house, the real fun could begin. Everyone just went crazy banging hammers, crowbars and chisels against the moldy walls and bathroom tiles.

[Amidst] the loud pounding and girls screaming - they apparently found a group home for cockroaches as well - we could barely hear the cars going by, who were giving honks and shouts of gratitude for our groups work.

After a few hours of demolition, our group ran out of gas, and we packed it up. We would need our strength for another day of destruction.

**March 15**

Today was particularly hot. It was hard enough breathing out of our masks, but the heat made things that much more interesting.

I had spent most of yesterday working on the bathroom tile, and I started today with a shower. Some of the guys in our group went up to the attic to knock down the ceiling tiles.

By 10 o'clock, most of the floor was covered in drywall. The fun of [demolition] was now over, and the not so fun clean up had to start soon if we wanted to be done with the house that day.

This was definitely the most physically challenging task of our trip, and many of us had to make regular stops outside at the cooler to rest. For me, one of the most fulfilling moments of this trip came on such a break.

A man in a silver minivan stopped on the street outside our house. I

walked over to greet him, and he put out his hand for me to shake.

"I really appreciate all you are doin' here. It brings tears to my eyes just watchin' ya. I can't thank you enough, man. You are truly doin' the Lord's work."

I had thanked him for his kind words and stuck out my hand for him to shake, this time holding on longer and tighter than before.

Once everything was out and the house was clean, we stopped to take a step back and see what we had actual done in two days. The house was empty with only the foundation, floor and a few wires remaining.

The trash pile had grown into one monstrous mound, full of wood and drywall, and one smaller pile full of smaller drywall pieces and scraps. Just before we left, the city clean up crew pulled up to take away the debris.

After a few pictures, we hopped in the car and waved to the men with orange vests and shovels.

**March 18**

I am finally starting to get over 20-

hour quest back to reality. It seems like I am still down in New Orleans, but it does feel far away.

Looking back on the trip, I really cannot believe it's over already. The time spent, though, and the relationships made, will not doubt last beyond my years.

In an elevator at our hotel in downtown New Orleans, a police officer asked me, "What are you guys doing down here on spring break? Wouldn't you rather be at some resort, partyin'?"

I muttered some answer about helping out people and doing my calling, but the question kind of caught me off guard.

I think if I had to answer again, it would go something like this: "Our country was devastated by a powerful force of nature, and people are still recovering from it. I owe it to those people, not only as an American citizen, but also as a human being, to help them in their time of need."

What would have been lost if I had decided to go to Cancun to get drunk? ... Are my actions in vain or wasteful? I don't believe so.

And what if a tornado ripped through Omaha? Would people say that they were too busy or didn't feel like coming to help rebuild my house, or our university, or our businesses? No way.

And that's what it means to serve: to put someone else before yourself, to walk with them in their times of struggle.

**Crossword**

- ACROSS  
1 Clammy  
5 Goons  
10 Obi-Wan, for one  
14 Object of devotion  
15 Ford or Clay  
16 WWII losers  
17 Writer Ephron  
18 Shady bower  
19 Pocket-sized  
20 Cheesy crust  
22 Discomposes  
24 Spectator  
26 Jackie's second  
27 Cameo stone  
28 Horse with a horn  
32 Denver or Ireland  
35 Make the first bid  
37 Machine shop machine  
38 Raw mineral  
39 Spat  
41 Country singer Williams  
42 Destiny, in Delhi  
44 Catch dead to rights  
45 Gravy holder  
46 Put in office  
48 Destitute  
50 Bobbsey twin  
51 Has need of  
55 Indian prince  
59 Needing fast attention  
60 Skater's jump  
61 Dull surface  
63 Alan of "The West Wing"  
64 Gusto  
65 Nickel add-on?  
66 Amateurish painting  
67 Small vortex  
68 Remote button  
69 Alimony recipients

- DOWN  
1 Wild dog of Australia  
2 Beautify  
3 Lesson from Aesop  
4 Oliver Stone Oscar-winner  
5 Words of gratitude  
6 Of a female  
7 Lift the latch  
8 Sailor's rum drink  
9 Damascus resident  
10 West Indies republic  
11 Way out  
12 Enjoy a repast  
13 Nile goddess  
21 Charged atom  
23 Vocal quaver  
25 Spread out  
28 Still green  
29 Milanese eight  
30 Perlman of "Cheers"  
31 Audition call  
32 Punch line antecedent  
33 For the mouth  
34 Roll-call call  
36 Time period  
39 Doha's land  
40 Silver-tongued  
43 Playwright

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**Solutions**

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| Terrence          | quality           |
| 45 Military unit  | 54 Knives         |
| 47 Fill with love | 55 Labyrinth      |
| 49 "___ Town"     | 56 Chopped down   |
| 51 Hotel charges  | 57 Beer formation |
| 52 Take five      | 58 Nephrite       |
| 53 Provide with a | 62 Corn location  |



# Mav-Rec

## Campus Recreation

## Health, Physical Education and Recreation Building Hours

Monday - Thursday: 6:30 AM - 11:00 PM

Friday: 8:30 AM - 7:00 PM

Saturday: 8:30 AM - 7:00 PM

Sunday: 12:00 PM - 10:00 PM

### Mav-Rec

Fitness and Wellness

#### Chair Massage



Friday, March 23

\$10 per 15 min.  
-or- \$20 for two  
time slots

Register in HPER  
100. Walk-ins  
accepted if time  
permits.

Feeling stressed, have a  
headache, looking for a way  
to unwind and relax? Try a  
10 minute chair massage to  
reduce tension and achieve  
overall better health.

Just a reminder that Campus Recreation's Proposed  
Expansion Presentations are open to all Students/Faculty/  
Staff and general public. We encourage attendance to  
discover what the future may unfold. Look for our ad for  
presentation times, dates, and locations. Visit our website  
for further information.

<http://www.unomaha.edu/~wwwocr/renovation.php>

### Mav-Rec

IM Sports

#### Swim Meet

Tuesday, March 27 • 7:00pm  
Men and Womens Divisions

FREE for all students/faculty/staff with  
UNO ID or UNO Activity/Alumni Pass.  
Also current Metro students  
participating in intramurals.

#### 3x3 basketball tourney

Monday, April 9 - Thursday April 12th  
7pm-9pm? Men and women division  
Sign up-HPER 205 by Friday, April 6th

#### Kick, Punt, Pass Challenge

Monday, April 16th at 7:00 pm  
Men and women division  
Sign up in HPER

### Mav-Rec

Outdoor Venture Center

#### BACKPACKING: Black Hills Trip

Wed., May 16th - Sun., May 20th • Mandatory Pre-trip Meeting: Mon., May 7th (6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.)

3 day backpacking loop through the majestic Black Elk Wilderness. We will summit the highest point in  
South Dakota, Harney Peak! We will hike through meadows, towering granite formations, old growth,  
ponds and some of the most remote areas in the Black Elk Wilderness. The fourth day of the trip we will  
have the opportunity to explore the Black Hills and Custer S.P.

Early Registration Cost: \$209 UNO/\$241 GP • Late Fee: After 4/30, Add \$15

#### Basic Map & Compass Beyond Basic Kayaking

Classroom Session: Thursday, March 22nd

(7:00 p.m. - 9:45 p.m.)

Field Session: Saturday, March 24th

(9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.)

Basics of map and compass work. Focus on reading  
a topographic map, terrain association, and verifying  
position with map and compass. Will culminate with a  
field trip to Hitchcock Nature Preserve to practice skills.

Early Registration Cost: \$13 UNO/\$17 GP  
Late Fee: After 3/16, Add \$5

#### Kayak Rolling & Bracing Workshop

Mondays/Wednesdays, March 19th, 21st, 26th,  
28th (7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.)

The art of rolling the kayak and righting yourself  
will be taught along with balancing techniques.  
This self-paced class is open to kayakers of all  
skill levels. Bring a swimsuit and towel to class.  
The instructor can also help those working on an  
offside roll or high and low braces.

No pre-trip meeting.

Early Registration Cost:  
All 4 Nights \$40 UNO / \$50 GP  
Late Fee: After 3/12, Add \$5

### Mav-Rec

Aquatics

#### Open Lap Pool Hours:

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M - F: 6:30 am - 9:00 am

M - F: 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

M - F: 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Saturday: 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Sunday: 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm

## Classified Ads

### NOTICES

Advertising will  
be rejected that  
discriminates based on  
age, race, color, national  
origin, religion, sex,  
disability, marital status  
or sexual orientation.

### LOST & FOUND

FOR ITEMS LOST AT  
UNO  
Contact Campus  
Security, EAB 100, 554-  
2648. Turned-in items  
can be claimed by a  
description and proper  
identification.

Advertising for items lost  
or found on the UNO  
campus will be published  
free in the Gateway for  
two weeks. Forms are

### HELP WANTED

available at the Office  
located in Milo Bail 1st  
Floor.  
Earn \$2500+ monthly and  
more to type simple ads  
online.

[www.DataAdEntry.com](http://www.DataAdEntry.com)

The Citrus Lounge is  
now hiring bartenders

& waitstaff. Please apply  
in person, Mon-Sat after  
3pm. 14616 West Center  
Rd.

#### Nanny Wanted

If you love kids we've  
got the job for you! Be a  
nanny for the summer.

Take kids to their  
activities and spend  
lots of time swimming  
and playing. Need a  
responsible person  
with their own vehicle  
to work from 7:45 am  
to 5:30 pm Monday-  
Friday. Education major  
preferred or lots of  
experience with kids.  
Referrals required.  
Contact Brenda at  
502.1205.

#### Nanny Needed

In NW Omaha for infant.  
Must be able to start  
at 5:30am M-F. Prefer  
childhood education  
with experience and CPR  
certification. Please e-mail  
stadlerj@boystown.org

#### Now Hiring

McKenna's 7425 Pacific  
St. 393-RIBS (7425).  
Now Hiring for Servers  
and Bartenders. Day,  
evening, and seasonal  
shifts available. Be part  
of Omaha's Best BBQ  
Establishment.

Fitness Trainers needed  
at Fitness Together. Will  
certify. Great career  
opportunities. Morning  
and evening shifts  
available. Call Nick  
(402) 932-5346.

#### RECEPTIONIST WANTED

Omaha immigration law  
firm seeks receptionist on  
a part-time basis (10am-  
2pm, M-F) to answer  
calls, make appointments  
and help clients with  
their paperwork. Fluency  
in Spanish is important as  
some clients do not speak  
any English. Please fax  
your resume to Van at  
346-8408. Qualified  
applicants will be invited  
for an interview.

#### Cleaning Household Part-time

W. Omaha family seeking  
non-smoking, child  
tolerant professional  
for part-time household  
cleaning (around 12  
hrs. per week). Must  
be able to work as a  
team, be dependable,  
and have prior cleaning  
experience. References  
will be checked. Offering  
competitive wage.  
402-250-7160

to schedule interview.

Things Remembered  
store @ the Westroads  
Mall is now hiring for  
the holidays. Part-time  
flexible shifts. Looking  
for enthusiastic and  
outgoing salespersons to  
sell engraveable gifts.

Apply In person.

#### Wohlner's

Cashier needed to  
fill part time position  
afternoons and evenings.  
Apply in person at 5205  
Leavenworth Street or  
call 551-6875.

Sherwin Williams  
Looking for motivated  
full time or part time  
hours. Very flexible. Will  
work around school. 333-  
4448. Apply in person.  
2735 S. 140th.

The Citrus Lounge is  
now looking for Security,  
Barback, & Cashier.  
Please apply in person  
Tues-Sat after 3pm. 14616  
W. Center Rd. 934-4320.

**LAZLO'S  
BREWERY & GRILL**  
Now Hiring Exp Line  
Cooks. Competitive  
Wages & Benefits,  
Meal Discounts  
& Advancement

### HOUSING

Opportunities. Interviews  
Mon, Tues And Thurs  
2-4pm. 2425 S. 192nd  
Avenue.

Looking for babysitter in  
our home. 7:15-4:15 one  
day a week-SW Omaha.

### FOR RENT

2 boys, ages 15 months &  
4 months. \$6.00 per hour.  
Call Stacey 301-4650.  
References & background  
check required.

APTS., HOUSES and  
sleeping rms. for  
rent, roommate lists  
- call UNO off-campus  
Housing Referral Service  
at

554-2383 or stop in the  
Admin. Office, Milo Bail  
Student Center.  
126th & Harrison. 3  
bedroom/2bath, finished  
basement w/ fireplace,  
fenced yard w/ large  
deck. 2 car garage. \$1300/  
mo. 6 or 12 month lease.

Pets okay. Brandon.  
402-770-9193.

University Place  
Apartments  
551 So 35th St. Large

2 Bedroom/1 Bath.  
Completely renovated  
w/ electrical, plumbing,  
high-speed. Hardwood  
floors/tile kitch & baths.  
Off street parking and  
on-site laundry facility.  
Heat/Water paid. Reserve  
for next semester! Call  
Gina at 990-3927 for  
showing.

631 N 42 St. Upstairs  
efficiency. Refrigerator &

### FOR SALE

stove. Carport parking.  
Clean! \$375/month.  
Owner pays water.  
556-7921.  
Willow Park  
Apartments  
And Townhomes  
AVAILABLE NOW:  
1 Bedroom apartments  
2 Bedroom with Den  
2 Bedroom Townhomes  
3 Bedroom apartments  
Washer and dryer  
included! Just minutes  
from the interstate!

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

9605 Park Drive  
Omaha, NE 68127  
402-339-1110  
[www.broadmoor.cc](http://www.broadmoor.cc)

### ROOMMATE WANTED

Charming Brick Tri-plex  
Three apartments, 2 2  
bed, 1 1 bed, updated  
baths and kitchens, lots  
of original woodwork.  
2235 Howard St. Call

### EVENTS

Jackie at CBSHome, 670-  
1666. \$150,000.

Beautiful Starter Home.  
12974 Browne Circle. 3  
brm. Home with gorgeous  
cabinets, granite, tile.  
New carpet, fresh paint.  
Located in quiet circle  
with easy access to Fort  
St. & Maple Rd. \$123,500  
Open Sun. 3-5pm. Call  
415-9150 for appt  
Jim's Seek and Save  
March Sale. 20-50% off.  
Antiques and collectibles.  
Dorm size refrigerator  
\$45. Lots of unusual and  
useable items.  
Share large 4 bedroom  
home with 3 other  
females, 1 room  
available. Utilities/  
phone/cable paid. Near  
UNO, 57th between  
Leavenworth & Pacific.  
\$380. 250-2909.  
Citrus Lounge.